## Criminal Assets Recovery Act 1990 (section 21C)

## **ASSETS FORFEITURE NOTICE**

In accordance with section 21C of the *Criminal Assets Recovery Act 1990* (**the Act**), the New South Wales Crime Commission (**the Commission**) hereby issues a notice of intention to forfeit (**assets forfeiture notice**) the following property,

Cash in the amount of approximately \$274,450 in Australian currency (**the property**) and any interest accumulated thereon, seized by New South Wales Police Force (**NSWPF**) officers on 18 June 2024 during the search of a silver Mercedes Sprinter van with Victoria registration 1ZW5IT,

## to the Crown.

This assets forfeiture notice is issued on the following grounds:

- 1. The property is held by the NSWPF after it was seized by NSWPF officers as a result of a search on 18 June 2024 of a Mercedes Sprinter van with Victoria registration 1ZW5IT following a stop for random mobile testing on the Hume Highway near Gundagai. On that day, bulk boxes of illicit vapes were also located in the search and both occupants of the van were placed under arrest. The property is held by NSW Police pursuant to the *Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002.*
- 2. The Commission is reasonably satisfied the property is an interest in property:
  - a. of a person suspected of engaging in serious crime related activity; and/or
  - b. suspected of being serious crime derived property because of serious crime related activity; and/ or
  - c. an interest in property suspected of being an available interest relating to serious crime use property.

Pursuant to section 21A of the Act, a dispute claim in relation to this assets forfeiture notice may be made by **21 January 2025** and pursuant to section 21G of the Act, **MUST**:

- 1. be made **in writing to the Commission** by post to 453-463 Kent Street, Sydney, NSW or by e-mail to <u>confiscations@crimecommission.nsw.gov.au</u>; and
- 2. include the following information:
  - (a) the name, date of birth and address of the person making the claim (**the** claimant),
  - (b) the basis of the claim, including the following and evidence, if any, supporting the following
    - (i) a description of the claimant's interest in the property,
    - (ii) how the interest in the property was acquired,
    - (iii) why the interest in the property is not illegally acquired property,
  - (c) a statutory declaration supporting the information in the claim.

Unless a dispute claim is made to the Commission, this assets forfeiture notice takes effect immediately after **21 January 2025**.

Assistant Commissioner New South Wales Crime Commission 18 November 2024